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CURRENT SPECIAL LANGUAGE (WITH AGENCY REQUEST)

FUND TRANSFER. Federal funds received by the Arkansas State Police from the United States Department of Transportation from safety incentive funds received under 23 USC Section 402 for the "State and Community Highway Safety Program" may be granted to the Administrative Office of the Courts and deposited into the State Central Services Fund to reimburse expenditures by the Administrative Office of the Courts for operating expenses of the Continuing Education Program for Municipal Judges as appropriated in Section 18 herein. The appropriation to the Administrative Office of the Courts provided in Section 18 may be expended only in the event that federal funds have been granted and will be transferred from the Arkansas State Police to reimburse the Continuing Education Program for Municipal Judges. The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2003 2005 through June 30, 2005

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CURRENT SPECIAL LANGUAGE (WITH AGENCY REQUEST)

CONTRACTING WITH PUBLIC DEFENDERS. The Administrative Office of the Courts Division of Dependency-Neglect Representation shall have the authority to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with a person who is serving as a part-time Public Defender or other part-time State Attorney and paid as an employee of the State of Arkansas when the Public Defender or other part-time State Attorney has been appointed to provide Dependency-Neglect Services by a Circuit Judge. The part-time Public Defender or other part-time State Attorney shall be eligible for additional compensation which shall not be construed as exceeding the line item maximum for the grade of that position when the Administrative Office of the Courts reimburses the part-time Public Defender or other part-time State Attorney for Dependency-Neglect Representation services performed. The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2003 2005 through June 30, 2005 2007.

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DEPENDENCE-NEGLECT REPRESENTATION APPROPRIATION TRANSFER AUTHORITY. The Administrative Office of the Courts may request authorization from the Arkansas Legislative Council and the Chief Fiscal Officer of the State to transfer funds and appropriations between Item Numbers (01), (02), (03)(C) and (04) of Section 9 herein for the payment of employees and/or contractors providing legal services for the Division of Dependency-Neglect Representation. The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2003 2005 through June 30, 2005 2007.

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CURRENT SPECIAL LANGUAGE (WITH AGENCY REQUEST)

TRANSFER AUTHORITY. The Department of Finance and Administration shall transfer funds, from time to time, from the State Administration of Justice Fund to the State Central Services Fund in such amounts as are required to reimburse the State Central Services Fund for the expenses of the Administration Office of the Courts - Division of Dependency-Neglect Representation. This transfer authority shall be in addition to other authority given by law to the Department of Finance and Administration to transfer funds from the State Administration of Justice Fund and shall terminate on June 30, 2005 2007. The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2003 2005 through June 30, 2005 2007.

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CURRENT SPECIAL LANGUAGE (WITH AGENCY REQUEST)

FUNDING. Funds received by the Arkansas State Police from the Department of Transportation from the safety incentive funds received under P.L. 105-178, title I, Section 1404(a), 23 USC Section 163 for "Safety Incentives to Prevent Operation of Motor Vehicles by Intoxicated Persons" may be transferred to the Administrative Office of the Courts as directed by the Arkansas State Police for operating expenses of the District Court State Automation System in Section 21 of this Act. The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2003 2005 through June 30, 2005 2007.

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CURRENT SPECIAL LANGUAGE (WITH AGENCY REQUEST)

MONTHLY INSTALLMENT. From July 1, 2003 2005 through June 20, 2005 2007, a lump sum monthly installment of at least one-twelfth (1/12) of the annual appropriation provided for in Section 9 of this Act, or so much thereof as may be made available, shall be provided from the State Administration of Justice Fund to the State Central Services Fund to provide funds for that appropriation. The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, 2003 2005 through June 30, 2005 2007.

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CARRY FORWARD. Any unexpended balance of appropriation and funds authorized in Section 9 of this Act on June 30, $\frac{2004}{2006}$ shall be carried forward and made available for the same purpose for the fiscal year ending June 30, $\frac{2005}{2007}$. The provisions of this section shall be in effect only from July 1, $\frac{2003}{2005}$ through June 30, $\frac{2005}{2007}$.

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CURRENT SPECIAL LANGUAGE (WITH AGENCY REQUEST)

LEGAL RESEARCH SPECIALIST NEW HIRE REQUIREMENT. Any new hire for the Class Code 9107, Legal Research Specialist, Grade 25 positions as established in Section 8 herein must first have prior approval of the Personnel Subcommittee of the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee.

Determining the maximum number of employees and the maximum amount of appropriation and general revenue funding for a state agency each fiscal year is the prerogative of the General Assembly. This is usually accomplished by delineating such maximums in the appropriation act(s) for a state agency and the general revenue allocations authorized for each fund and fund account by amendment to the Revenue Stabilization law. Further, the General Assembly has determined that the Administrative Office of the Courts may operate more efficiently if some flexibility is provided to the Administrative Office of the Courts authorizing broad powers under this Section. Therefore, it is both necessary and appropriate that the General Assembly maintain oversight by requiring prior approval of the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee as provided by this section. The requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is not a severable part of this section. If the requirement of approval by the Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee is ruled unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, this entire section is void.

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